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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, FDD/00

SUBJECT : Exploitation of Foreign Language Material Being
Airmailed from [REDACTED]

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1. We discussed yesterday our new program whereby a number of our stations are clipping significant press items on the present Communist Party ferment and airmailing these to a Washington post office box. As you know the clippings are being picked up daily by a representative of the Library and delivered to FDD. I understand that a sizeable package has already arrived from some West European capitals. In order to keep a check on the usefulness of this exercise we would appreciate having a report from your people, either daily or weekly, identifying the clippings received (date, newspaper, author and political slant where obtainable) and listing the day of arrival in FDD.

2. To make this material of maximum value to the Clandestine Services and other customers following these developments, I would suggest that the translations and analyses of the clippings be included with other press information in a weekly FDD publication. You mentioned the possibility of revising and expanding your publication World Press Briefs on International Communism. This would certainly be an acceptable method of handling the new material as far as we are concerned, especially if the classification of "Official Use Only" (unclassified when cover sheet is removed) is maintained.

3. Verbatim translations of Communist Party communiques and resolutions which shed light on the current controversy are desired, as well as texts, or analyses with excerpts, of important non-Communist discussion especially from the Socialist or Social Democratic opposition.

4. When your people have had an opportunity to examine the material being airmailed and you have adopted a plan for processing and publishing the material in English, would you please let me know? I would, of course, be glad to come over and discuss the matter with you or others in FDD at any time.

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5. The cables sent to the posts listed below all contain the following request:

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[REDACTED] Friendship Station, Washington, D.C.

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6. The special service provided by your branches in response to our recent urgent requests for translations of press reaction to the secret Khrushchev speech is greatly appreciated. In every case your analysts were most cooperative in meeting very short deadlines. You may be interested in seeing how the material was treated in the attached compilation.

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Chief, RCM/OIB

Attn: [REDACTED]

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